

GEORGIA MOUNTAINS REGIONAL COMMISSION
EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING

Byron Herbert Reece Farm
Blairsville, GA
July 31, 2014

MINUTES

The GMRC Executive Committee met on Thursday, July 31, 2014, 5:30 p.m. at The Byron Herbert Reese Farm in Blairsville, Georgia. The meeting was hosted by Union County Commission and City of Blairsville.

CALL TO ORDER

Chairman Sam Norton called the meeting to order and thanked everyone for attending. The following members were present:

Executive Committee Present

Sam Norton, Chairman
Dean Scarborough, Vice Chairman
Mike Berg
Bill Black
Bill Chafin
Jim Conley
Rex Farmer
Leslie George
J.B. Jones
Lamar Paris
George Wangemann

GMRC Staff Present

W. Danny Lewis, Executive Director
Peggy Lovell, Executive Assistant
Kevin Tallant, Attorney

CONSIDERATION OF MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

Chairman Norton asked for consideration of the minutes of the June 26, 2014 Executive Committee Meeting. Motion for approval of the minutes was made by Bill Chafin, seconded by Dean Scarborough, and motion carried unanimously.

REPORTS

Chairman's Report

Chairman Norton stated that it was an honor and privilege to be able to serve as Chairman for this year. He has thoroughly enjoyed working with the Executive Committee, Council, and staff.

Executive Directors Report

Executive Director Danny Lewis discussed the four checks that in excess of \$25,000 that according to the Procurement Policy needs to be approved by the Executive Committee. Mike Berg made a motion to approve this checks. Seconded by Leslie George and passed unanimously.

Mr. Lewis just returned from the DDAA Board Meeting held in Ohio. The RC he feels is in good shape with ARC. They have already started the ARC Application process and have extended the deadline by 15 days. Mr. Lewis stated that the RC had received request for four more applications today.

Paul Kreager will be coming off the Council due to health reasons. If anyone knows of someone that you would like to recommend to fill the Governor's A-Large Position, let the office know and we will get the name to the Governor's Office consideration.

OLD BUSINESS

2014 Annual Work Program

Mr. Lewis informed the Council that the 2014 GMRC Annual Work Program had previously been sent to DCA for their review and approval. DCA has approved it with no changes. The document now needs to be adopted by the Council.

NEW BUSINESS

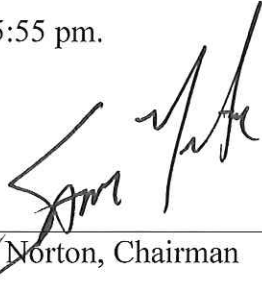
Mobile Training Units (MTUs) Shelter Bid

Mr. Lewis informed the Executive Committee that the two Mobile Training Units (MTUs) are sitting outside in the weather and need to be under shelter to help protect the satellite units that are mounted on top of the MTUs. RFPs were sent out and only one bid was received. Handi House of Gainesville quoted a bid of \$5,897.12. All the funds to pay for this shelter will be provided through the Workforce Development budget. GMRC has been working with the City of Gainesville on this due to the fact that the City owns the land and building which GMRC occupies in Airport Industrial Park. The City has approved this and agreed to provide the labor for installing the concrete pad as long as the RC provides the materials. The shelter will be 21x41 metal shelter with aluminum poles and with a paved driveway from the road.

Attorney Kevin Tallant stated that the City of Gainesville had asked for a Waiver of Liability for the MTU shelter since they were providing the labor on this construction. The GMRC agrees to maintain the concrete pad and shelter as long as they lease the premises. This comes as a recommendation from the Executive Committee. Mike Berg made a motion to accept the Waiver of Liability resolution and the bid for the shelter. Leslie George seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting was recessed to the Council Meeting at 5:55 pm.



Sam Norton, Chairman



George Wangemann, Secretary